

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Pacific Northwest Economic Region****Federal Tax ID: 911599098****Project Title:****Project Type: Planning and Research**

Pacific Northwest Economic Region Foundation - Region Summit

State Funding Requested: \$150,000**House District: Anchorage Areawide (16-32)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Over 700 legislators, business and government leaders will meet in Anchorage for the PNWER annual summit to discuss regional economic policy.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$350,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$200,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	(\$150,000)
Project Deficit:	\$0

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The purpose of the PNWER Annual Summit is to develop Action Plans within approximately 20 working groups that focus on the regional economy. Each working group is co-chaired by an elected official and a private sector leader; the working group seeks input and discussion from expert panelists in the field and audience participation. The working groups develop Action Items to submit to the PNWER board for approval, and the PNWER secretariat will then work to execute these action items throughout the year. An example of the working groups include: Energy, Arctic Caucus, Workforce Development, Innovation, Disaster Resilience, Tourism, among many others.

The Summit takes place over four intensive, full day meetings, including keynote presentations from high level federal government officials and business CEOs, during the breakfast and lunch sessions. The Summit also provides an opportunity to showcase local industry through off-site policy tour sessions and receptions.

Project Timeline:

Preliminary Host Committee meetings will take place in the Spring of 2012, and again in the Fall of 2012. In early 2013, PNWER will start arranging logistical details, coordinating speakers and finalizing the agenda. Expenditures will start to occur in early 2013, with deposits and advanced payments being necessary to secure venues, AV, speakers, transportation, etc. The main expense will be incurred in June and July 2013.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

PNWER

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No